

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-7 (Canceled).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A method for protecting at least two metal-containing structures applied to a substrate against corrosive attacks, the method comprising:

applying at least temporarily to one of the at least two metal-containing structures an electric passivation voltage in a range of passivation of a ~~relevant~~ conductive material of the one of the least two metal-containing structures,

wherein a potential difference between the one of the at least two metal-containing structures and another of the at least two-metal containing structures is at a level of the electric passivation voltage.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A method according to Claim 8, further comprising:
wherein using the electric passivation voltage ~~is used~~ simultaneously as a measuring voltage for a sensor.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 9, wherein the sensor is a capacitively operating moisture sensor.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 8, wherein a sinusoidally oscillating AC voltage is used as the passivation voltage.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): A method according to Claim 11, wherein an amplitude of the passivation voltage is between 0.75 V and 1.75 V.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 12, wherein the amplitude of the passivation voltage is 1.1 V.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): A method according to Claim 11, wherein a frequency of the passivation voltage is above 2000 Hz.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 14, wherein the frequency of the passivation voltage is between 2000 and 4000 Hz.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): ~~Application of the~~ A method according to claim 8, ~~wherein to at least one of the at least two~~ metal-containing structures applied to the substrate are included in one of ~~[[,]]~~ a moisture sensors sensor, a breakage sensors sensor, antennas an antenna, and a heating conductors conductor.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): ~~Application~~ A method according to Claim 16, wherein the ~~structures are deposited on glass or plastic panes~~ substrate is one of a glass or plastic pane.